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### Memorandum

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From: Raymond P. Churan

Subject: Meeting on Abandoned Uranium Mines, Navajo Lands,  
June 3, 1991, Grants, New Mexico

As the designated "Points of Contact" for your respective bureaus and agencies pertaining to this issue we are confirming, with this memorandum, earlier phone calls to each of your office's concerning the subject meeting.

The meeting will be held on June 3, 1991 at the Cibola Convention Authority, 515 W. High, Grants, New Mexico. A set of directions is attached.

The purpose of this meeting is to (1) visually inspect the problem mine areas included in the ATSDR Public Health Advisory, (2) discuss the latest EPA test results, (3) determine the time critical actions that could be taken by EPA to address the health and safety concerns and (4) explore cooperative Federal agreements in accomplishing these actions. A draft agenda for this meeting is attached.

  
Raymond P. Churan

### Attachments (2)

cc:  
Director, OEA, Washington, DC w/attach  
Regional Environmental Officer, OEA, San Francisco w/attach  
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DRAFT AGENDA  
MEETING  
ABANDONED URANIUM MINES  
NAVAJO LANDS, NEW MEXICO  
CIBOLA CONVENTION AUTHORITY  
515 W. HIGH  
GRANTS, NEW MEXICO  
(505) 285-4625  
JUNE 3, 1991

9:00 a.m.        Introductions - DOI

9:10 a.m.        Discussion of the issue and purpose of field  
                 inspection - DOI/EPA

10:00 a.m.        Depart Grants, NM - Inspection of mine areas.  
                 (Haystack Mountain Area)

LUNCH            (On your own)

2:00 p.m.        Reconvene Meeting - Grants  
                 Discussion of the following - DOI/EPA

a.    Highlights of Inspection.

b.    Time critical actions.

c.    Time frame for actions.

d.    Cooperative Agreements required.

e.    Any remaining issues.

4:15 p.m.        Wrap Up.

4:30 p.m.        Adjourn.

Meeting  
Abandoned Uranium Mines  
Navajo Lands, New Mexico

Directions to Cibola Convention Authority, 515 W. High, Grants,  
New Mexico (505) 285-4625

From Albuquerque - West on I-40 to Grants Exit 85. When you exit  
you will be on Santa Fe Avenue - Go to Iron Street (mid-town) you  
will see the mining museum - turn right - you will then see the  
convention building - it is a white mission style building.